

## **Summer Night Fishing**

The July issue of the FLW magazine had an article by Colin Moore about fishing pro Rex Huff and summer night fishing with spinnerbaits. Here are some of his pointers.

### **Best Conditions**

- Moon phase – ½ moon is best with the 2 best times being when the moon breaks the horizon and when it sets.
- Water temperature, the higher the better

### **Color Coordinated**

Black is always a good nighttime choice. A white spinnerbait with a No. 11 Uncle Josh Pork Frog is Huff's favorite. When the moon is dark he uses a brown one with an orange and white pork frog.

### **Rig Right**

He recommends a 6'6" heavy action rod (assume med./hvy. is OK). Uses fluorocarbon or monofilament line in 17 lb. Test. Opt for strength.

### **Pay Attention**

Keep your rod at the 10 o'clock position when reeling and be sure the spinnerbait is on a tight line. Be prepared to set the hook. Stop and go retrieve may trigger a strike but keep a tight line.

### **The Right Blades**

Huff uses 3/8 to 5/8-ounce spinnerbaits with No. 4, 5 or 6 Colorado blades.

### **Shallow Humps / Bait**

Look for humps that come up to about 10' in the main lake. Regardless of depth use your electronics to find humps with baitfish on them.

Cast beyond a hump and fish down all sides of it. Keep moving the boat to cover the whole hump.

### **Get The Point**

Points are always good to check at night. Look for ones with baitfish on them. Cover the point by casting parallel to it first then perpendicular to it.